

Review of Revised NIAC Charter and Executive Order

Overview

- The NIAC Charter was renewed by Secretary Chertoff on July 1, 2005
- The NIAC Executive Order was renewed by the President on September 29, 2005 under Executive Order 13385
- These renewals were part of a regular 2 year renewal cycle
- Three areas for update were identified, and have subsequently been addressed in the new documents

Cyber and Physical Security

- Scope was expanded to address physical infrastructure
- Previously stated that the NIAC would “advise the President on the security of the information systems supporting the nation’s critical infrastructure”
- New version states “on the security of the critical infrastructure sectors *and* their information systems”
- Charter and EO were also amended to provide advice on all 17 CI/KR sectors designated by HSPD-7, rather than the five listed in the original documents

Critical Infrastructure/Key Resources Sectors

Critical Infrastructure Sectors

- Food and Agriculture
- *Banking and finance*
- Chemical and hazardous materials
- Defense industrial base
- *Emergency services*
- *Energy*
- Healthcare and Public Health
- Information technology
- Telecommunications
- Postal and shipping
- *Transportation*
- Water and water treatment system

Key Resource Areas

- National monuments and icons
- Dams
- Government facilities
- Commercial facilities
- Nuclear

Consistent Language

- Updated terminology to correspond with HSPD-7, and the Interim National Infrastructure Protection Plan
- Terms include:
 - “Lead agencies” to “sector specific agencies”
 - “Sector coordinators” to “sector coordinating mechanisms”
 - References to the ISACs were broadened to refer to “sector coordinating councils” and “information sharing mechanisms”

Coordination with NSTAC

- NIAC will defer matters pertaining to National Security and Emergency Preparedness Communications (NS/EP) to the President’s National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC)
- NIAC will also coordinate issues that affect NS/EP with the NSTAC